

Bryce Yokomizo Director

January 23, 2003

TO:

Each Supervisor

FROM:

Bryce Yokomizo, Director

SUBJECT: DIRECT DEPOSIT QUARTERLY REPORT

This is to provide you with an update on the current number of participants who signed up to receive their cash benefits by Direct Deposit for the quarter September through December 2002.

As of December 2002, there were 9,338 individuals, or 3% of 300,000 participants receiving CalWORKs, Refugee Cash Assistance, General Relief and Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants benefits signed up for Direct Deposit. This is an increase of 4% or 374 more individuals from our last report to you. There was an average of 7,790 payments issued each month via Direct Deposit during this quarter. It must be noted that the actual number of Direct Deposit payments issued each month will never be the same as individuals signed up because some individuals are discontinued after they signed up, but before the payments are issued.

We continue to outreach to participants to offer them Direct Deposit, offering the program through special mailings, outreaching at the EBT forums underway, at the time of application, and at the face-to-face annual redetermination of eligibility.

We will update you again in April 2003.

BY:fw

c: Auditor-Controller Chief Administrative Officer County Counsel